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1. [] the following numbers of empty railroad cars were dispatched abroad in January 1954: 25X1

USSR	4,871 boxcars (grain shuttle cars)
	3,467 gondola cars (for ore)
	689 refrigerator cars (for meat and butter)
Poland	55 S, SS, R, Rytm-type flatcars
	563 gondola cars (for coal)
	40 refrigerator cars (to Stettin)
Czechoslovakia	295 gondola cars (for coke) 1

2. [] the following numbers of empty railroad cars were dispatched to East Germany from foreign countries in January: 25X1

Poland	955 boxcars (for potash to Poland)
Czechoslovakia	295 boxcars (for potash to Czechoslovakia) 2

1. [] Comment. As compared with December 1953, the number of grain shuttle cars and refrigerator cars dispatched to the USSR increased by about 100 percent, while the number of gondola cars and flatcars decreased by 20 percent and 85 percent respectively. The number of freight cars dispatched to Poland appears very low in comparison with a total of about 20,000 cars reported for December. The small number recorded either results from an error in transmission or from the fact that cars for hard coal imports to East Germany are now furnished by the Polish State Railroads. 25X1

2. [] Comment. The information indicates that there were not enough boxcars available in Germany for scheduled export deliveries. 25X1

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